

Appendix A

Summary of Temperature Preference Ranges and Effects for Life Stages of Seven Species of Salmon and Trout

The information in this appendix was taken from a review of the State of Oregon standard for water temperature completed by Cara Berman, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10, on September 3, 1998.

Definitions (from McCullough 1999):

Optimum: The optimum temperature range provides for feeding activity, normal physiological response, and normal behavior. The optimum range is slightly wider than the growth range.

Preferred: The preferred temperature range is that which the organism most frequently inhabits when allowed to freely select temperatures in a thermal gradient. The final temperature preferendum is a preference made within 24 hours in a thermal gradient and is independent of acclimation temperature.

Lethal loading: Increased burden on metabolism that controls growth and activity. Lethal loading stress occurs over long periods (Brett et al. 1958).

Upper incipient lethal temperature: An exposure temperature, given a previous acclimation to a constant temperature, that 50 % of the fish can tolerate for 7 days. The **ultimate upper incipient lethal temperature** is the point where further increases in acclimation temperature results in no increase in temperature tolerated.

Upper lethal temperature: The temperature at which survival of a test group is 50 % in a 10 minute exposure, given a prior acclimation temperatures within the tolerance zone.

I. Sockeye Salmon

Adult migration: 7.2-15.6⁰C (Bell 1986, Spence et al. 1996)
10⁰C adult sockeye lost 7.5 % body weight and had visible fat reserves, at 16.2⁰C they lost 12 % of their body weight and visible fat reserves were essentially depleted. Females with developing eggs lost more body weight than males; adverse gonadal development in females (Bouck et al. 1975)
21⁰C migration inhibition (Beschta et al. 1987 from Major and Mighell 1966).

Above 21⁰C rising or stable temperatures blocked entry of fish from the Columbia River into the Okanagan River, WA; falling temperatures allowed migration to resume.

<i>Spawning:</i>	10.6-12.2 ⁰ C (Bell 1986, Spence et al. 1996)
<i>Incubation:</i>	4.4-13.5 ⁰ C (Combs 1965) 4.4-13.3 ⁰ C (Bell 1986, Spence et al. 1996) 10 ⁰ C (Dept of Fisheries Canada, International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission 1952) > 12.8 ⁰ C severe mortality (Dept of Fisheries Canada, International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission 1952; Combs 1965)
<i>Rearing:</i>	10-12.8 ⁰ C (Bell 1986) 10.6 ⁰ C (Huntsman 1942, Burgner 1991) 10.6-12.8 ⁰ C (Coutant 1977) 14.5 ⁰ C (Coutant 1977, Ferguson 1958, Huntsman 1942) 12-14 ⁰ C (Brett 1952) 11.2-14.6 ⁰ C preferred (Beschta et al. 1987) 15 ⁰ C optimum (Beschta et al. 1987)
<i>Physiological optimum:</i>	15 ⁰ C (Brett et al. 1958)
<i>Smolt out-migration:</i>	2-10 ⁰ C (Spence et al. 1996)
<i>Terminates smolt out-migration:</i>	12-14 ⁰ C (Brett et al. 1958)

II. Spring Chinook Salmon:

<i>Adult migration:</i>	3.3-13.3 ⁰ C (Bell 1986, Bjornn and Reiser 1991, Spence et al. 1996) 21 ⁰ C migration block (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<i>Spawning:</i>	5.6-14.4 ⁰ C (Olson and Foster 1955) 5.6-13.9 ⁰ C (Bell 1986, Spence et al. 1996) 5.6-12.8 ⁰ C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<i>Incubation:</i>	5-14.4 ⁰ C (Bell 1986, Spence et al. 1996) 4.5-12.8 ⁰ C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<i>Rearing:</i>	11.7 ⁰ C (Coutant 1977, Ferguson 1958, Huntsman 1942) 10-12.8 ⁰ C (Bell 1986) 10-14.8 ⁰ C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<i>Adult holding:</i>	8-12.5 ⁰ C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995) 13-15.5 ⁰ C pronounced mortality (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995) 6-14 ⁰ C optimal pre-spawning brood stock survival, maturation, and spawning (Marine 1992)

***Smoltification and
Out-migration:***

3.3-12.2⁰C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
18.3⁰C smolt lethal loading stress (Temperature Subcommittee,
DEQ 1995)

Optimum production:

10⁰C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)

Maximum growth:

14.8⁰C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)

Lethal:

18-21⁰C (Marine 1992)
17.5⁰C - upper sub-lethal to lethal range (Berman 1990)

Sublethal:

15-17⁰C (Marine 1992, Berman 1990)

III. Summer Chinook Salmon:

Adult Migration:

13.9-20⁰C (Bell 1986, Spence et al 1996)

Spawning:

5.6-14.4⁰C (Olson and Foster 1955)
6.1-18.0⁰C (Olson and Foster 1955)
5.6-13.9⁰C (Spence et al. 1996)

Incubation:

5.0-14.4⁰C (Spence et al. 1996)

Rearing:

11.7⁰C (Coutant 1977; Ferguson 1958; Huntsman 1942)
10.0-12.8⁰C (Bell 1986)

IV. Fall Chinook Salmon:

Adult migration:

10.6-19.4⁰C (Bell 1986, Spence et al. 1996)

Spawning:

10-12.8⁰C (Bell 1986)
10-16.7⁰C (Olson and Foster 1955)
5.6-13.9⁰C (Spence et al. 1996)

Incubation:

10-12.8⁰C (Bell 1986)
10-16.7⁰C (Olson and Foster 1955)
10-12⁰C (Heming 1982, Neitzel and Becker 1985, Garling and
Masterson 1985)
5-14.4⁰C (Spence et al. 1996)
> 12⁰C alevins substantial reduction in survival (Ringler and Hall
1975)
> 15.6⁰C mortality (Smith et al.1983)

<i>Rearing:</i>	12-14°C (Bell 1986)
<i>Smoltification:</i>	4.5-15.5°C typical migration (Spence et al. 1996) ATPase Activity - 8°C and 13°C allow increased activity over a 6 week period, at 18°C ATPase activity decreases over the same time period - inhibitory effect of water temperature on gill Na-K ATPase activity (Sauter unpublished data)

V. Chinook Salmon (general): Final Temperature Preferendum

<i>Adult:</i>	17.3°C (Coutant 1977)
<i>Yearling:</i>	11.7°C (Ferguson 1958, Huntsman 1942)
<i>Spawning:</i>	5.6-13.9°C (Bjornn and Reiser, 1991) 5.6-10.6°C (Bell 1986) 5.6-12.8°C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995) 15.5°C causes spawning inhibition
<i>Incubation:</i>	5-14.4°C (Bjornn and Reiser 1991) 13°C (Bell 1986) > 12.5°C increases egg mortality and inhibits alevin development - produces only 50 % egg survival (California Department Water Resources 1988)
<i>Rearing:</i>	10-15.6°C maximum productivity (Brett 1952) 12-14°C preferred range (Brett 1952) 7.3°C-14.6°C preferred range (Beschta et al. 1987) 12.2°C optimum (Beschta et al. 1987) > 12.8°C first feeding fry do not develop normally > 15.5°C disease increases mortality (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<i>Smoltification:</i>	< 12.2°C for all salmonids (California Department Water Resources 1988) 18-21°C sub-lethal and lethal loading stress (Brett 1952)

Independent Scientific Group (1996): Chinook salmon and other salmon species are not markedly different in their requirements.

Adult migration and spawning: optimum 10°C, with range about 8 to 13°C; stressful >15.6°C; lethal 21°C

Incubation: optimum <10°C with range about 8 to 12°C; stressful >13.3°C; lethal >15.6°C

Juvenile rearing: optimum 15°C with range about 12 to 17°C; stressful >18.3°C; lethal 25°C

National Marine Fisheries Service (1996):

Chinook habitat assessment: 10 to 13.9°C for properly functioning; 14 to 15.5°C at risk for spawning; and 14 to 17.5°C at risk for rearing and migration.

VI. Steelhead Trout:

<i>Adult migration:</i>	10-13°C general preferred (Bjornn and Reiser 1991) 21°C migration inhibition (Beschta et al. 1987)
<i>Upper incipient lethal temperature:</i>	21-22°C (Hicks 1998)
<i>Spawning:</i>	3.9-9.4°C (Bell 1986, Spence et al. 1996) 4.4-12.8°C (Swift 1976) Rainbow trout brood fish must be held at water temperatures below 13.3°C and preferably not above 12.2°C for a period of 2 to 6 months before spawning to produce eggs of good quality (Smith et al. 1983)
<i>Incubation:</i>	5.6-11.1°C (Hicks 1998)
<i>Preferred Temperatures Rearing:</i>	
<i>summer run</i>	10-12.8°C (Bell 1986)
<i>winter run</i>	10-12.8°C (Bell 1986)
<i>fall run</i>	10-14.4°C (Bell 1986)
<i>spring run</i>	10-12.8°C (Bell 1986)
	7.3-14.6°C preferred (Beschta et al. 1987) 10°C optimum (Beschta et al. 1987)
<i>Smoltification:</i>	11-12.2°C from 7.2°C resulted in cessation of downstream movement (Hicks 1998) <12°C (Hicks 1998)

VII. Coho Salmon:

<i>Adult migration:</i>	7.2-15.6°C (Reiser and Bjornn 1979, Brett 1952)
<i>Spawning:</i>	4.4-9.4°C (Reiser and Bjornn 1979, Brett 1952) 10-12.8°C (Bell 1986) 7.2-12.8°C (Hicks 1998)
<i>Incubation:</i>	4.4-13.3°C (Reiser and Bjornn 1979, Brett 1952) 10-12.8°C (Bell 1986) 8-9°C (Sakh 1984) 4-6.5°C (Dong 1981) Egg mortality approx. 14°C (Reiser and Bjornn 1979, Brett 1952)

	>12 ⁰ C increased mortality (Allen 1957 in Murray and McPhail 1988)
<i>Incubation (cont.):</i>	>11 ⁰ C increased mortality (Murray and McPhail 1988) 1.3-10.9 ⁰ C produced best survival rates of eggs and alevins (Tang et al. 1987) 2-8 ⁰ C optimum range (Tang et al. 1987)
<i>Lower lethal:</i>	0.6-1.3 ⁰ C (Dong 1981)
<i>Upper lethal:</i>	12.5-14.5 ⁰ C (Dong 1981), University of Washington 10.9-12.5 ⁰ C (Dong 1981), Dungeness River, WA
<i>Rearing:</i>	11.8-14.6 ⁰ C (Reiser and Bjornn 1979, Brett 1952) 11.4 ⁰ C (Coutant 1977) 12-14 ⁰ C (Bell 1986) Cessation of growth >20.3 ⁰ C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995, Reiser and Bjornn 1979, Brett 1952) 11.8-14.6 ⁰ C, preferred (Beschta et al. 1987) 25.8 ⁰ C, upper lethal (Beschta et al. 1987)
<i>Smoltification:</i>	12-15.5 ⁰ C (Brett et al. 1958) 2.5-13.3 ⁰ C observed migration, most fish migrate before temperatures reach 11-12 ⁰ C (Spence et al. 1996)
<i>Optimum Cruising Speed:</i>	20 ⁰ C Under yearling and yearling approach velocities above dams exceeding 1.0 foot/second creates a problem in safeguarding under yearlings. Capacity to stem such a current for greater than one hour is limited to 18.5-21.5 ⁰ C (Brett et al. 1958)
<i>Final Temperature Preferendum:</i>	
<i>Adult:</i>	11.4 ⁰ C (Coutant 1977) Laboratory 16.6 ⁰ C (Coutant 1977) L. Michigan
<i>Upper lethal:</i>	26 ⁰ C, incipient lethal temperature (Brett 1952) Acclimation was 20 ⁰ C, 50 % mortality in 1,000 min. 25 ⁰ C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<i>Preferred temperature:</i>	12-14 ⁰ C, temperatures >15 ⁰ C were avoided (Brett 1952)

VIII. Chum salmon:

<i>Adult migration:</i>	8.3-15.6 ⁰ C (Bjornn and Reiser 1991)
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<i>Spawning:</i>	7.2-12.8 ⁰ C (Bjornn and Reiser 1991)
<i>Incubation:</i>	8 ⁰ C (Beacham and Murray 1985) 4.4-13.3 ⁰ C (Bjornn and Reiser 1991) 6-10 ⁰ C, maximum efficiency for conversion of yolk to tissue (Beacham and Murray 1985) 12 ⁰ C, alevin mortality occurred 1-3 days after hatch (Beacham and Murray 1985)
<i>Rearing:</i>	14.1 ⁰ C (Coutant 1977, Ferguson 1958, Huntsman 1942) 10-12.8 ⁰ C (Bell 1986) 11.2-14.6 ⁰ C, preferred (Beschta et al. 1987) 12-14 ⁰ C, preferred (Brett 1952) 13.5 ⁰ C, optimum (Beschta et al. 1987) 25.8 ⁰ C, upper lethal (Beschta et al. 1987)

Final temperature preferendum:

<i>Under yearling:</i>	14.1 ⁰ C (Coutant 1977) Laboratory
<i>Yearling:</i>	14.1 ⁰ C (Ferguson 1958) Laboratory 14.1 ⁰ C (Huntsman 1942) Laboratory
<i>Smoltification:</i>	Information not available
<i>Upper lethal:</i>	25.4 ⁰ C, incipient lethal temperature (Brett 1952) Acclimation was 20 ⁰ C, 50 % mortality in 1,000 min.

IX. Cutthroat trout:

<i>Adult migration:</i>	Information not available 18-22.8 ⁰ C upper lethal temperature range (Kruzic 1998)
<i>Adult Holding:</i>	Smith et al. (1983), west-slope cutthroat trout: Females held in fluctuating temperatures (2-10 ⁰ C) had significantly better eggs than those held at a constant 10 ⁰ C. Elevated temperatures experienced by mature females affected subsequent viability and survival of embryos.
<i>Spawning:</i>	6.1-17.2 ⁰ C (Beschta et al.1987, Bell 1986)
<i>Incubation:</i>	Information not available
<i>Rearing:</i>	10 ⁰ C (Bell 1986) 9.5-12.9 ⁰ C, preferred (Beschta et al. 1987) 23 ⁰ C, upper lethal (Beschta et al. 1987)

22.8⁰C, upper lethal (Bell 1986)

Smoltification: Information not available

X. Bull trout:

Migration: 10-12⁰C (EPA 1997, DEQ 1995)

Spawning: <9-10⁰C, initiate spawning, MT (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<9⁰C, initiate spawning, B.C. (Spence et al. 1996, Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995, Pratt 1992)
4.5⁰C, Metolius River, Oregon (Spence et al. 1996, Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
4-10⁰C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
5-6.5⁰C, peak spawning activities (EPA 1997)

Incubation: 8-10⁰C, 0-20 % survived to hatch, B.C. (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
6⁰C, 60-90 % survived to hatch, B.C. (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
2-4⁰C, 80-95 % survived to hatch, B.C. (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
4-6⁰C, MT (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
1-6⁰C (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
2-6⁰C (Spence et al. 1996)

Rearing: 4⁰C optimal temperature for growth, B.C. (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
4.5⁰C, Metolius River, Oregon (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
4-4.5⁰C, optimum fry growth (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
4-10⁰C, optimum juvenile growth (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<10⁰C, Metolius River (EPA 1997)
>14⁰C is a thermal barrier in closely related arctic char (Pratt 1992)

Adult resident: 19⁰C, no bull trout were observed, MT (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
15-18⁰C, bull trout were present, MT (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<16⁰C, bull trout present, John Day Basin, OR (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)
<12⁰C, highest densities of bull trout, MT (Temperature

Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)

9-13⁰C, adult preference (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)

Less than or equal to 12⁰C, highest adult density (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)

4-18⁰C, adults present (Temperature Subcommittee, DEQ 1995)

<15⁰C vertical distribution in lakes (Pratt 1992)

Competition:

12⁰C, Metolius River, reach susceptible to brook trout invasion (EPA 1997)

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